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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Neil C. Singer, et al.
Application No.: 09/262,781
Filed: March 4, 1999
For: DYNAMIC SYSTEM CONTROL METHOD

Examiner: Thomas Lee
Art Unit: 2182

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT****In the Claims**

Please amend independent claims 148, 161, 164, 167, 187, 188, 191, and 192 as follows:

C1
D2

148. (Amended) A graphical user interface ("GUI") which provides controllers for affecting operation of a data storage device, the GUI comprising a first controller which alters at least one of a seek time of the data storage device and a noise level of the data storage device by changing seek trajectory shape to suppress unwanted frequencies.

F3
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C2

161. (Amended) A method of controlling operation of a data storage device, the method comprising the steps of:

generating a graphical user interface ("GUI"), the GUI providing a first controller for controlling at least one of a seek time of the data storage device and a noise level of the data storage device;

operating the first controller so as to alter settings in the GUI for at least one of the seek time and the noise level of the data storage device; and

outputting commands to the data storage device causing the data storage device to alter [its operation] seek trajectory shape to suppress unwanted frequencies in accordance with altered settings in the GUI.

F4
D4
C3
Cont.

164. (Amended) Computer-executable process steps stored on a computer-readable medium, the computer-executable process steps to control operation of a data storage